

# BRIEFING

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### BOOK'EM

#### WANTED: YOUR USED BOOKS



**T**HE BLOOMINGTON Crime Prevention Association (BCPA) is collecting books for its 16th annual used book sale. The Book'em sale takes place June 7 - 21, at 9801 Lyndale Ave. S.

Proceeds from the sale help fund crime prevention and awareness programs, the Bloomington Police Explorers and the Bloomington Police Department. For more information and a list of used book drop-off sites, call 952-220-2537 or visit the BCPA Web site at [www.bcpamn.org](http://www.bcpamn.org).

### LYLE BERG BRIDGE APPROACH RAMP REPAIR COMPLETE



**R**EPAIRS WERE RECENTLY MADE to the approach on the west side of the Lyle Berg Bridge on American Boulevard. The City monitored the bridge and approach after cracks were observed in the pavement between the retaining walls leading up to the bridge. The bridge itself was not affected and is structurally sound. Repairs were completed in May.

### REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION PLANNING EFFORTS UNDERWAY

**T**HE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL Convention is coming to the Twin Cities September 1 - 4. It is estimated that convention attendees, media and others will occupy 20,000 hotel rooms per night during their visit. As Bloomington has more hotel rooms than downtown Minneapolis and St. Paul combined, it's likely that almost 30 percent of the convention's hotel room inventory will be in Bloomington. To prepare for this influx of visitors, Bloomington is working with federal agencies and leaders in Minneapolis and St. Paul to ensure a safe and organized event.

Look for more details in the August Briefing.

### THE PAHL FAMILY

#### FARMING RHUBARB ON LYNDALE AVENUE

**F**RANK JOSEPH PAHL was born on April 23, 1863, in Minnestrista, Minnesota. Sometime between 1905 and 1910 he settled in Bloomington and built a home at 8332 Lyndale Ave. S. He and his five sons (Andrew, Herman, Edward, Richard and Theodore) and their families farmed 180 acres of land along Lyndale Avenue from 80th to 84th Street and west to Humboldt Avenue. Today, part of this farm is a parking lot for the Perkins Restaurant on Lyndale Avenue.

In 1926, Pahl's son Richard built a home at 8316 Lyndale Ave. S. Richard Pahl and his brothers mainly raised vegetables; however, they soon found their niche producing rhubarb. During the winter, the brothers worked side-by-side selling

### BLOOMINGTON - YESTERDAY



Photo courtesy of Greg Faust.

rhubarb raised in an underground root cellar. By 1940, they were the largest rhubarb producers in the Midwest.

Although the Pahl brothers continued to farm, they sold part of their land in 1953 for residential development.

### MALL OF AMERICA PHASE II 2008 LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

**T**HE MINNESOTA State Legislature has approved authority for additional funding sources and state revenue bonds to be used toward development of the Mall of America's second phase, which will include a mixed-use center with retail, hotel, office, residential and entertainment uses.

In its 1988 agreement with the Mall of America Company, the City of Bloomington and the Port Authority developed a formula for funding public improvements for future phases.

Bloomington has realized significant positive returns on its investment in the Mall. Developments in the vicinity of the Mall have added 1,837 hotel rooms and \$138 million to the City's tax base. The Mall has attracted major infrastructure improvements such as light rail that, in turn, are driving the construction of the \$600 million Bloomington Central Station transit-oriented development. In addition, Bloomington's General Fund receives \$1 million in taxes from the Mall each year, over and above the cost of services. The State of Minnesota also benefits: in 2007 Mall of America Phase I generated nearly \$26 million in state sales tax revenues, \$11.6 million in state income taxes and \$5.7 million in property taxes – a total of \$43 million.

It was originally intended that public improvements related to a second phase of the Mall would be constructed using tax increment financing (TIF) revenues which were utilized to help fund the first phase. However, in 2001, state property tax reform legislation shifted a portion of the commercial property tax receipts directly to the state, reducing revenues to the City for the TIF District by 45 percent, or approximately \$5.6 million per year.

Due to the significant tax revenue that the State receives from the Mall and up to 7,000 construction jobs and 7,000 permanent jobs that could be created by Mall of America Phase II, the Legislature was asked to consider additional financing for the second phase. Prior to the end of the legislative session on May 19, the Legislature approved financing for Phase II which includes new local taxes that, if adopted, would be on hotel admissions and mall venues and would not be imposed on residential or commercial/industrial property owners.

Presently, the City and the Mall of America are evaluating the second phase based on legislative action.



For more information, contact Jill Hutmacher, Acting Port Authority Administrator, at 952-563-8541 or at [jhutmacher@ci.bloomington.mn.us](mailto:jhutmacher@ci.bloomington.mn.us).



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## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

BLOCK BOOSTERS  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
PILOT PROJECT

**T**HE ENVIRONMENTAL Health Division is developing a program that educates residents and neighborhood volunteers or "Boosters" about creating desirable neighborhoods.

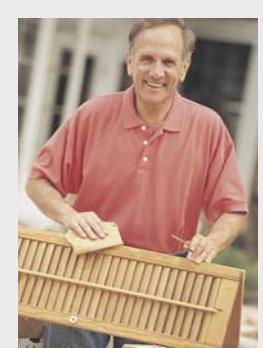
Block Boosters, based on the same principles as the Police Department's Block Captain program, distribute educational materials about code requirements and nuisance violations, such as tall grass, abandoned vehicles and improper refuse storage.

After studying the outcomes of other City programs and enlisting volunteers, Environmental Health will create a training program and work with volunteers to develop resources, organize meetings and rate the viability of the program.

For more information or to obtain a brochure, call Environmental Health Manager Lynn Moore at 952-563-8970.

AT HOME IN BLOOMINGTON  
HRA HOSTS WORKSHOPS

**T**HE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (HRA) will be offering a series of free seminars in 2008. The seminars will focus on home improvement and remodeling ideas. The first workshop in the series, **Aging in Place: Design Strategies to Stay in Your Home Longer**, will be presented by Kaas-Wilson Architects, **Thursday, June 12, 7 p.m.**, Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road. Ideas and strategies on how to make your home grow with you will be discussed. Other upcoming seminars include **Sustainable Gardening: Using Native Plants and Water Management**, **Thursday, August 14**, and **Green Materials for Remodeling**, **Thursday, October 23**. All seminars are free.



For more information, contact Tom Holman at 952-563-8941 or visit the City's Web site at [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: HRA.

CONSERVE WATER THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER  
TRIED AND TRUE PRACTICES

**I**N AN AVERAGE YEAR, the Twin Cities area uses about 20 percent of its treated drinking water outdoors to water lawns and gardens and wash cars. In dry years that can increase to more than 30 percent. However, this figure can be reduced through sound water conservation practices:

- Convert lawns to native plants.
- Sweep with a broom, not a hose.
- Collect rain water and use it to water gardens and houseplants.
- Water your lawn early in the morning or late in the evening. If you have an in-ground irrigation system, use a rain sensor shut-off device.

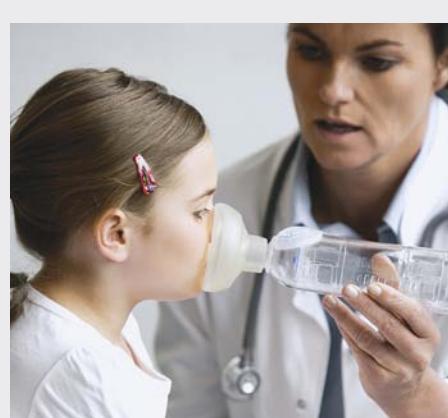
- Cut grass to no shorter than two inches to reduce evaporation.
- Use shut-off nozzles on hoses when washing cars.

For more information, visit our Web site at [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Restrictions.

HELPING KIDS TO BREATHE EASY  
REDUCING THE ENVIRONMENTAL TRIGGERS OF ASTHMA

**B**LOOMINGTON PUBLIC HEALTH is participating in a new early intervention program created by the Minnesota Department of Health. The Reducing Environmental Triggers of Asthma (RETA) Home Intervention Project is designed to reduce environmentally induced asthma through education from a certified asthma educator and inexpensive, uncomplicated treatments, such as high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) vacuum cleaners and pillow and mattress dust encasements.

Minimizing or eliminating exposure to environmental allergens and triggers has been shown to improve health dramatically and reduce health care costs by almost \$2,000 per asthmatic child.

HEALTHY SMILES  
ORAL HEALTH GRANT RECEIVED

**B**LOOMINGTON PUBLIC HEALTH recently received a grant from Delta Dental Philanthropic Foundation to purchase materials and supplies to improve the oral health of uninsured children in the community. The grant will also make it possible for Public Health nurses to provide fluoride varnish applications for children's teeth at the Public Health Center and during home visits. In addition, educational information about good oral hygiene and the safety and value of tap water will be provided.

For more information on the above programs, contact Health Activity Coordinator Rose Jost at 952-563-8910.



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*Upon request, this information can be provided in Braille, large print, audio tape and/or electronic format.*



## GET FRESH PRODUCE

### FARMERS MARKET IS BACK!

**D**ON'T MISS your chance to buy products from local farmers, growers and producers. Arrive early and have your pick of the freshest vegetables, baked goods, herbs, flowers, bread and homemade candy. Center for the Arts Manager Jim Urie believes the Farmers Market is becoming a weekly tradition for Bloomington residents.

"The Farmers Market debuted last summer and in just 14 weeks more than 20,000 people showed up," he said. "We're looking forward to another great summer at the market."

The City of Bloomington Farmers Market is held **Saturdays, June 14 - October 11, 7 a.m. - noon**, in the east parking lot of Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road.

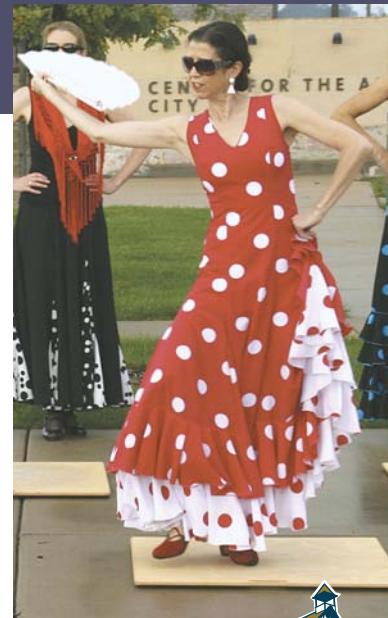
Park free in Civic Plaza's west lot. For more information, call 952-563-8877, or visit the City's Web site, [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Farmers Market.

## NOT TO BE MISSED

### GLOBAL CELEBRATION AN INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

**B**RING YOUR FAMILY to Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road, on **Saturday, June 14, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** for Global Celebration: An International Festival. This free event features entertainment, food and crafts from Africa, Central America, India, Mexico and other locations around the globe.

For more information, contact Human Services Coordinator Tracy Smith at 952-563-4955.



### SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENTS



DAY	SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENT
June 7 8 a.m.	Center for Diagnostic Imaging's Back in Shape Run/Walk Northwestern Health Sciences University, 2501 W. 84th St.
June 14 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	<b>Global Celebration: An International Festival</b> Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road
June 29 1 - 4 p.m.	<b>Sandcastles</b> Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Road
July 1 7:30 p.m.	<b>Organ for 8</b> St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 9201 Normandale Blvd.
July 3 5 - 10 p.m.	<b>Summer Fete</b> Normandale Lake Park, 9801 Penn Ave. S.
July 18 - 20	<b>Virg Ellrich Memorial Firemans' Softball Tournament</b> Valley View Playfield, 9000 Portland Ave. S.
August 10 1 - 4 p.m.	<b>Family Celebration</b> Minnesota Masonic Home, 11501 Masonic Home Dr.

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

### SUMMER ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS FOR AGES 6 - 12

**J**OIN YOUR FRIENDS for games, sports, story time, arts and crafts, and special events.

When: M, Tu, Th, June 16 - August 7.  
(No program, June 30 - July 4.)

Times: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Cost: \$45. Field trips extra, see below. Friday swim trips \$5.

Where: Bryant, Brye, Kelly, Poplar Bridge, Running, Smith, Sunrise and Westwood parks.



### FIELD TRIPS

Adventures abound this summer. Kids can sign up for fun, safe and supervised field trips that will allow them to spend time with their friends. Some of the field trips include ice skating, rock bowling and swimming.

When: Wednesdays, June 18 - August 6.  
(No field trip on July 2.)

Cost: \$15 per trip.



## SWIMMING LESSONS

**A**MERICAN RED CROSS SWIMMING LESSONS are available at Bloomington Family Aquatic Center, 201 E. 90th St., and Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Road.



When: **Session I** M - Th, July 7 - 17.  
**Session II** M - Th, July 21 - 31.  
**Session III** M - Th, August 4 - 14.  
Times: 10:10 - 10:50 a.m. Aquatic Center.  
9:40 - 10:20 a.m. Bush Lake Beach.  
6:40 - 7:20 p.m. Bush Lake Beach.  
Cost: \$50.  
To register: Call Parks and Recreation or register online at: [webtrac.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://webtrac.ci.bloomington.mn.us).

### CAMP KOTA FOR AGES 7 - 12

**C**HILDREN LEARN basic camping skills while developing an appreciation for the outdoors. Activities include swimming, arts and crafts, active games, field trips, camp crafts and overnight camp. Bus transportation is provided from 7:45 - 8:20 a.m. and 3:05 - 3:45 p.m., except on Friday mornings. Child care is available before and after camp for an additional fee.

When: Weekdays,  
8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Where: Bush Lake picnic shelter 3,  
9140 E. Bush Lake Road.

**Session I** July 21 - 25.

**Session II** July 28 - August 1.

**Session III** August 4 - 8.

**Session IV** August 11 - 15.

Cost: \$150 per week.

To register, download a registration form at [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Kota, or see the *Summer Spectrum* catalog.

### KOTA KIDS FOR AGES 5 - 6

When: 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Session A** July 21 - 25.

**Session B** July 23 - August 1.

**Session C** August 4 - 8.

**Session D** August 11 - 15.

Where: Bush Lake picnic shelter 3,  
9140 E. Bush Lake Rd.

Cost: \$120 per week.

**CONTACT PARKS AND RECREATION AT 952-563-8877 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS.**

### PARKS AND OPEN SPACES A VISION FOR OUR FUTURE

**P**LANNING for the future of Bloomington's parks is nearing completion. The City has been working since December 2006 on a comprehensive update of the Park Master Plan that will establish a 20-year vision for parks, recreation areas, open spaces, cultural and historical preservation, and trail and bikeway systems. The plan will also outline policies and priorities for preserving natural features and amenities.



Scheduled to be finalized in 2008, the plan will be used as a tool for an extensive review of the parks system capital improvement plan.

For more information, contact Parks and Recreation Manager Randy Quale at 952-563-8877 or visit our Web site at [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Park Master Plan.

### CLUTCH HITTERS BATTING CAGES REOPEN

**J**IM HANSON, longtime resident and former head coach of the Bloomington Concordia girl's softball team, purchased the batting cages at Dred Scott Field and installed new equipment. Renamed "Clutch Hitters," the cages feature special offers, clinics and training. For more information, visit [www.Clutchhitters.com](http://www.Clutchhitters.com) or call Jim Hanson at 612-269-7653.

### PICKLEBALL

**P**LAY at Hyland Hills Tennis and Pickleball Court, 9858 Edgewood Road, on **Mondays and Wednesdays, May - October, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.** Free lessons are available. For more information, call Jim at 952-835-2468 or visit [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Pickleball.

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS LEAGUES

**P**LAY DOUBLES, singles and mixers from **June - August**. For more information, call Parks and Recreation or visit [www.ci.bloomington.mn.us](http://www.ci.bloomington.mn.us), keyword: Tennis.

### SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

**T**HE BORN AGAIN JOCKS Softball League welcomes men, age 55 and older, with all levels of playing ability. Games are **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:45 a.m.**, at Valley View Playfield, 9000 Portland Ave. S. For more information, call Dick Wortman at 952-888-1814 or Loran Wendt at 952-831-4759, or e-mail Bob Wandberg at [bwandberq@qwest.net](mailto:bwandberq@qwest.net).

# THE - SIGHTS - SOUNDS - AND - TASTES - OF - SUMMER

## BLOOMINGTON CENTRAL STATION SERIES MUSIC IN THE PARK



**T**HE NEW Bloomington Central Station Park will play host to a variety of musical talents Wednesday mornings this summer, including the **Moses Oakland Quintet** on June 25, **Steve Clarke and the Working Stiffs** on July 16, and **Cyril Paul and the Calypso Monarchs** on August 6.

All shows will begin at 11:30 a.m.

## MINNESOTA FESTIVAL OF LATIN MUSIC AUTHENTIC LATIN FLAVOR



**Charanga Tropical.**

**T**HE FOURTH ANNUAL Minnesota Festival of Latin Music, cosponsored by Univision (WUMN Channel 13) Spanish language television, will feature the best in Latin song, dance and traditional foods on **Saturday, July 19, 2 - 9 p.m.** Entertainment includes: **Ticket to Brazil**, Brazilian Jazz and Bossa Nova; **Trio Mexico**, authentic Mexican acoustic music; **Flamenco - A Touch of Spain**, Flamenco music and dance ensemble; **Charanga Tropical**, Cuban Mambo and Salsa; and **Salsa Brosa**, an eight-piece salsa band.

## BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL

### CALLING ALL COOL CATS



**Jack Brass Band.**

**I**F YOU'RE A FAN OF JAZZ, you won't want to miss one of the premier jazz events in the state. The Bloomington Jazz Festival will be held **Sunday, August 10, 2 - 7 p.m.** This year's lineup features real New Orleans-style jazz with the **Jack Brass Band**, New Orleans-style Dixieland by the **Jumpin' Jehosaphats**, Big Band classics by the **Bend in the River Band** and the smooth sounds of the **Connie Evingson Quintet**.

## ARTS IN THE PARKS

**B**LOOMINGTON PARKS COME ALIVE with free music, dance, food and more this summer. Grab a blanket and come enjoy a variety of entertainment. For more information, or in case of inclement weather, call the Parks and Recreation 24-hour information line at 952-563-8878.



Normandale Lake Bandshell event parking is available in the 84th Street and Chalet Road parking lots.

### LOCATIONS

<b>Bloomington Central Station Park, 8100 34th Ave. S.</b>	<b>Normandale Lake Bandshell, 84th Street and Chalet Rd.</b>
<b>Brye Park, 10500 Xavier Ave. S.</b>	<b>Valley View Playfield, 9000 Portland Ave. S.</b>
<b>Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd.</b>	<b>Smith, 8155 Park Ave.</b>
<b>Moir, 104th Street and Morgan Ave. S.</b>	

### JUNE

9	10:30 a.m.	Minnesota Zoomobile	Moir Park
10	7 p.m.	Minnesota Symphonic Winds	Bandshell
12	7 p.m.	John Philip Sousa Band	Bandshell
16	10:30 a.m.	Alpha Bits	Valley View
17	7 p.m.	Eden Prairie Community Band	Bandshell
19	6 - 9 p.m. 6 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	<b>CELTIC SOLSTICE CELEBRATION</b> Legacy Doon Céili Band	Bandshell
23	10:30 a.m.	Jack Person, Mr. Song-Strummin' Storyman	Moir Park
24	7 p.m.	Bloomington Medalist Band	Bandshell
25	11:30 a.m.	Moses Oakland Quintet	Central Station
26	7 p.m.	Shane Wyatt	Bandshell
29	1 - 4 p.m.	<b>SANDCASTLES</b>	Bush Lake

### JULY

3	5 - 9:30 p.m.	<b>SUMMER FETE</b>	Bandshell
	5:15 p.m.	MJ Kroll and the Believers	Main stage
	6 p.m.	Larry and Jessup Yazzie	Kids' stage
	6:50 p.m.	Power of Ten	Main stage
	7 p.m.	The Splatter Sisters	Kids' stage
	8:40 p.m.	Bloomington Symphony Orchestra	Main stage
7	10:30 a.m.	Brian Richards' Magic Show	Smith Park
8	7 - 8:15 p.m.	<b>An Acoustical Evening</b>	Bandshell
	7 p.m.	Consolation Champ	
	8:15 p.m.	Boyd Lee and Joe Cruz	
10	6:30 p.m.	<b>80s MUSIC EXPLOSION: POPROCKS</b>	Bandshell
14	10:30 a.m.	Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam	Brye Park
15	7 p.m.	Dwight Thompson Quartet	Bandshell
16	11:30 a.m.	Steve Clark and the Working Stiffs	Central Station
17	7 p.m.	Sawtooth Bluegrass	Bandshell
19	2 - 9 p.m.	<b>MINNESOTA FESTIVAL OF LATIN MUSIC</b>	Bandshell
	2 p.m.	Trio Mexico	
	3 p.m.	Ticket to Brazil	
	4:15 p.m.	Flamenco - A Touch of Spain	
	5:30 p.m.	Charanga Tropical	
	7 p.m.	Salsa Brosa	
21	10:30 a.m.	Jack Norton	Valley View
22	7 p.m.	Kairos Dance Theater	Bandshell
24	7 p.m.	Stan Bann Big Band	Bandshell
28	10:30 a.m.	Mike Monson	Brye Park
29	7 p.m.	Minneapolis Police Band	Bandshell
31	6 - 9 p.m.	<b>BLUES AND BAR-B-Q</b>	Bandshell
	6 p.m.	Everett Smithson Band	
	7:30 p.m.	Big Walter Smith and the Grove Merchants	

### AUGUST

4	10:30 a.m.	Rachel Kroog with Kid Power	Moir Park
6	11:30 a.m.	Cyril Paul and the Calypso Monarchs	Central Station
7	7 p.m.	Ronn Easton's All-Star Soul Revue	Bandshell
10	2 - 7:15 p.m.	<b>BLOOMINGTON JAZZ FESTIVAL</b>	Bandshell
	2 p.m.	Jumpin' Jehosaphats	
	3:20 p.m.	Jack Brass Band	
	4:40 p.m.	Bend in the River Big Band	
	6 p.m.	Connie Evingson Quintet	

## NORMANDALE LAKE PERFORMANCE SERIES

### THURSDAY NIGHTS AT THE BANDSHELL

**T**HIS SUMMER the place to be Thursday nights is the Normandale Lake Bandshell, where you can enjoy free musical performances beginning at 6 p.m.

Normandale Lake Bandshell event parking is located in the 84th Street and Chalet Road parking lots. This summer's lineup features:

- The **Celtic Solstice Celebration**, an evening of Celtic music, dance and traditional foods on **June 19, 6 - 9 p.m.**, offers traditional and contemporary Irish and Celtic music by **Legacy** and the **Doon Céili Band**.



• The **80s Music Explosion** takes place **July 10, 6 - 9:30 p.m.**, and features cover band **PopROCKS**. Grab your favorite 80s band t-shirt and rock out to classic 80s rock ballads, pop and synthesized tunes.

- The third annual **Blues and Bar-B-Q** night on **July 31, 6 - 9 p.m.**, includes the **Everett Smithson Band**, playing a unique blend of zydeco, blues, funk and gospel, and the legendary blues band **Big Walter Smith and the Groove Merchants**, playing your favorite blues classics.

**Famous Dave's** will be serving Bar-B-Q starting at 6 p.m.

## SANDCASTLES

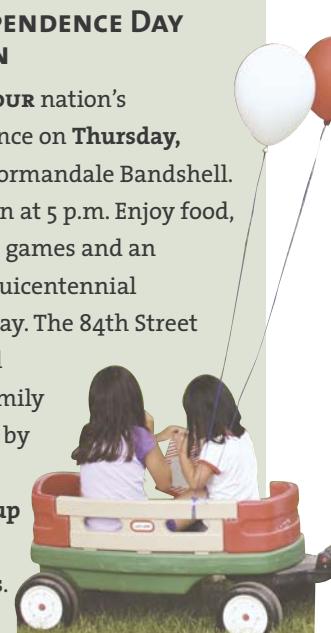
### SPEND A DAY AT THE BEACH

**T**HIS ANNUAL EVENT, featuring sandcastle contests, prizes and more, will be held **Sunday, June 29, 1 - 4 p.m.**, at Bush Lake Beach. **Bob the Beachcomber** performs from **2 - 3 p.m.**

## SUMMER FETE

### EARLY INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

**C**ELEBRATE our nation's independence on **Thursday, July 3**, at the Normandale Bandshell. Festivities begin at 5 p.m. Enjoy food, music, carnival games and an expanded Sesquicentennial fireworks display. The 84th Street Kids' Stage will present fun, family entertainment by **Magic Norm**, **Larry and Jessup Yazzie**, and the **Splatter Sisters**.



To make a donation or order Summer Fete T-shirts and buttons, use the envelope in your water bill or call 952-563-8693.